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**Impact 100 Garden State Announces Grants of at Least \$100,000 to be Awarded in 2017;
Schedules March Information Sessions for Nonprofits**

Impact 100 Garden State, a philanthropic women's organization, is offering at least two transformative grants of \$100,000 or more to nonprofit organizations in New Jersey. The grants must be used to fund programs in Morris, Passaic, Somerset, or Sussex counties. Grant applicants should focus on one of five grant categories – Arts and Culture; Children and Families; Education; Environment, Preservation or Recreation; or Health and Wellness.

To learn about what types of programs the organization has funded in the past and to better understand the application process and grant criteria, program staff, leadership and board members are invited to attend one of four Impact 100 Information Sessions. Grant applicants are not required to attend these sessions, but many have found them to be helpful. The sessions are free-of-charge. Individuals who have attended in the past are welcome to attend again and share in the discussion.

- **Thursday, March 9**, from 12:00 to 2 p.m., New Jersey Community Development Corp., Rogers Meeting Center, 2nd floor, 32 Spruce Street, Paterson. Please park at the Great Falls Overlook parking area (1 block walk) or find street parking, take the outside stairs, left on top of the stairs to building entrance;
- **Tuesday, March 14**, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., Morris County Library, 30 Hanover Avenue, Whippany;
- **Wednesday, March 15**, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., United Way of Northern NJ, 2 Spring Street, Newton; and
- **Thursday, March 16**, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., Somerset County 4 H, Ted Blum Center, 310 Milltown Road, Bridgewater.

To register for a session, contact grants@impact100gardenstate.org.

Visit www.impact100gardenstate.org for more information about grant evaluation criteria and also to view the 2017 application which will be posted in March and must be submitted online by May 18, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Final grant totals will be announced on April 6.

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